

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 7: AGRICULTURE AND ANIMALS**  
**Chapter 101: GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**§447. ACCESS FOR INSPECTION PURPOSES**

The commissioner, in person or by deputy, shall have free access at all reasonable hours to any building or other place wherein it is reasonably believed that farm products are marked, branded or labeled in accordance with official grades established and promulgated by the said commissioner or are being marketed or held for commercial purposes. He shall have power in person or by deputy to open any bags, crates or other containers containing said farm products and examine the contents thereof and may, upon tendering the market price, take samples therefrom. Whoever obstructs or hinders the commissioner or any of his duly qualified assistants in the performance of his duties under this subchapter commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 shall be adjudged. [ 1977 , c. 696 , §58 (AMD) . ]

**SECTION HISTORY**

1977 , c. 696 , §58 (AMD) .

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